As per provision of the PRB Act, 1867, the publishers are required to submit the Annual Statements upto the last day of February every year. The circulation figures are compiled by the office of RNI thereafter and printed in 'Press in India', brought out every year after 30th September. As such, the figures of circulation of these newspapers/periodicals will be available only after 30.9.1997 when the compilation of the Press in India, 1997 is completed.

(b) The details are given in Annexure. [*See Appendix 180, Annexure No. 52*]

(c) The policy governing release of Government advertisements is to secure widest possible coverage. Advertisements are released to newspapers/periodicals, empanelled with the Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP), keeping in view the publicity requirements, target readership and area and budgetary provisions.

आकाशवाणी और दूरदर्शन का क्षेत्रीय पुनर्गठन

2541. **श्री शिव चरण सिंह:** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या उनके मंत्रालय को "आकाशवाणी" और दूरदर्शन का क्षेत्रीय पुनर्गठन करने के संबंध में हाल ही में कुछ सुझाव प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) उन पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

नागर विमानन मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० इब्राहीम): (क) और (ख) परियोजना कार्य-निष्पादन संबंधी दक्षता को कारगर बनाने और इसे बढ़ाने तथा प्रसारण नेटवर्क जिसमें पिछले दो दशकों के दौरान काफी तेजी से विस्तार हुआ है, के अनुरक्षण एवं पर्यवेक्षण हेतु और अधिक जोनों/कार्यालयों को सृजित करने के लिए आकाशवाणी तथा दूरदर्शन के क्षेत्रीय ढांचे के पुनर्गठन के संबंध में एक प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुआ है।

(ग) 5वें वेतन आयोग की रिपोर्ट के कार्यान्वयन तक एककों या पदों के सृजन संबंधी किसी नए प्रस्ताव पर कार्यवाही नहीं की जा रही है।

Live telecast of 'Shrikrishna Janma Mahotsava' from dwarkasheesh, Gujarat

2542. DR. RANBIR SINGH:
SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been requested to issue instructions for live telecast of 'Srikrishna Janma Mahotswa' from Dwarkasheesh, Gujarat, like live telecast of Krishna Janam celebration from Mathura and Rath Yatra celebration from Jagannathpuri;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action on such requests; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The request was made to arrange live telecast of Srikrishna Janamostva from Dwarkasheesh Temple, Dwarka.

(c) and (d) Doordarshan explored technical feasibility for live telecast but due to non-availability of DOT Microwave link for transmission of coverage signal from Dwarka to Ahmedabad/Delhi, it was not possible to telecast it live. However, Doordarshan arranged the coverage of the celebrations and a TV report was telecast.

Amendment to Articles 124 and 217 of the Constitution

2543. SHRI AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to amend Articles 124 and 217 of the Constitution in matter of appointment and transfer of Judges to the Supreme Court and High Courts;